

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 2, 4, 7-40, 42-43, and 80-100. Claims 80-98 have been withdrawn based on the Examiner's restriction of these claims. Independent claim 1 has been amended. New claims 99-100 have been added. Support for these amendments can be found, for example, at paragraphs [121] and [168] of the published application.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2, 4, 7-9, 31-40, 42, and 43 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatenable over U.S. Patent No. 5,714,997 to Anderson in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,164,827 to Paff in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,046,812 to Kochanski *et al.* The Examiner further rejected claims 10-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatenable over Anderson in view of Paff in view of Kochanski *et al.* and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,057,833 to Heidmann *et al.* Finally, the Examiner rejected claims 17-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatenable over Anderson in view of Paff in view of Kochanski *et al.* and further in view of U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0118286 to Kannade *et al.* Applicants respectfully traverse.

In order to expedite prosecution, and without acquiescing to the propriety of the Examiner's rejection, Applicants have amended claim 1 to recited "wherein said target includes an RF transmitter that outputs positional coordinates [and] a master monitoring unit, coupled to said master camera and adapted to receive said positional coordinates

from said target." The art of record does not appear to teach or suggest that the target (e.g., a player during a sports event, a ball, etc.) includes an RF transmitter that transmits positional coordinates in combination with the other elements of claim 1. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn and claims 1, 2, 4, 7-40, and 42-43 and new claims 99-100 be passed to allowance.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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